

Having thus, described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle having a receiver that receives a release signal from a remote control and a controller that judges whether ID included in the release signal is coincident with pre-registered, the anti-theft device comprising::

a holder provided with the motorcycle which holds the remote control; and

a detector that is provided with the holder, detects when the remote control is held by the holder and outputs a detection signal when the remote control is held;

the controller permitting the starting of an engine of the motorcycle when the controller judges that the ID included in the release signal is coincident with the pre-registered ID and receives the detection signal from the detector.

2. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein:

the holder is adapted to receive the remote control therein.

3. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein:

one of the remote control and the holder includes a cutout; and

the other of the remote control and the holder include a fitting part which securely fits into the cutout when the remote control is held by the holder.

4. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 3, wherein:

engagement between the fitting part and the cutout helps to maintain the remote control in the holder while the motorcycle is running.

5. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein:

the holder is adapted to receive a substantial portion of the remote control therein.

6. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein:

the holder is adapted to receive most of the remote control therein.

7. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein:  
the holder includes a recess on a front face thereof, the recess being shaped to securely receive a portion of the remote control inserted therein.
8. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein:  
the controller permits running of the engine when the controller judges that the ID included in the release signal is coincident with the pre-registered ID and continues to receive the detection signal from the detector.
9. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein the anti-theft device is operatively associated with a steering handle locking mechanism or a seat locking mechanism of the motorcycle.
10. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, wherein the anti-theft device is operatively associated with both a steering handle locking mechanism and a seat locking mechanism of the motorcycle.
11. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 10, wherein the holder is provided in the vicinity of the steering handle locking mechanism.
11. An anti-theft device in a motorcycle according to Claim 1, further including a mechanism for providing an audible indication when the remote control is extracted from the holder.